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Agenda item 6

DATES OF SIGNATURE AND RATIFICATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

SUMMARY
(as at 16/07/93)

THE CONVENTION HAS BEEN RATIFIED BY:

1. Mauritius	18. Cook Islands	35.
2. Seychelles	19. Guinea	36.
3. Marshall Islands	20. Armenia	37.
4. United States of America	21. Japan	38.
5. Zimbabwe	22. Zambia	39.
6. Maldives	23. Peru	40.
7. Monaco	24. Algeria	41.
8. Canada	25. Saint Lucia	42.
9. Australia	26. Iceland	43.
10. China	27. Uzbekistan (*)	44.
11. Saint Kitts and Nevis	28. Dominica (*)	45.
12. Antigua and Barbuda	29. Sweden	46.
13. Ecuador	30. Norway	47.
14. Fiji	31. Tunisia	48.
15. Mexico	32.	48.
16. Papua New Guinea	33.	50.
17. Vanuatu	34.	

(*)= Accession

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Notes

1. The text of the Convention was adopted at New York on 9 May 1992; it was opened for signature at Rio de Janeiro from 4 to 14 June 1992, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters, New York, from 20 June 1992 to 19 June 1993. By that date the Convention had received 166 signatures. Those States which have not signed the Convention may accede to it at any time.

2. This document contains information concerning dates of signature and ratification received from the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as Depositary, as at 16 July 1993. The dates in the column on ratification are those of the receipt of the instrument of ratification by the Depositary.

3. For the purpose of this document, all references to ratification include information on accession, acceptance and approval of the Convention

STATUS OF RATIFICATION PROCEDURES

Note by the secretariat

It will be recalled that the Committee at its seventh session, "expressed its appreciation to those States that had ratified the Convention and urged other signatories to do the same as soon as possible so that the Convention might enter into force. It invited those signatories to inform the interim secretariat of the expected timing of their ratification, and requested the secretariat to submit that information to the Committee at its eighth session" (A/AC.237/31, para. 44).

Accordingly, the secretariat requested the Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, and the Permanent Missions to the United Nations, New York, of those States that do not have Permanent Missions in Geneva, to be provided with information concerning the nature and timing of any steps being taken by the relevant authorities to ratify the Convention. In order to organize the information for presentation to the Committee, the secretariat also requested information on whether the process of ratification had already been started and an estimated date of completion of the process, i.e. by 31 December 1993; by 30 June 1994; or at a later date. The information received to this date is reflected in the following table.

The expected dates of completion of the ratification process mentioned in the table are estimates and are not in any way binding on the authorities concerned.

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COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	RATIFICATION PROCEDURES ARE UNDERWAY	RATIFICATION EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY: 31/12/93	30/06/94	LATER DATE
1. AFGHANISTAN	12/06/92					
2. ALBANIA			X			
3. ALGERIA	13/06/92	09/06/93 (R)				
4. ANDORRA						
5. ANGOLA	14/06/92					
6. ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	04/06/92	02/02/93 (R)				
7. ARGENTINA	12/06/92					
8. ARMENIA	13/06/92	14/05/93 (R)				
9. AUSTRALIA	04/06/92	30/12/92 (R)				
10. AUSTRIA	08/06/92		X	X		
11. AZERBAIJAN	12/06/92					
12. BAHAMAS	12/06/92					
13. BAHRAIN	08/06/92					
14. BANGLADESH	09/06/92					
15. BARBADOS	12/06/92					
16. BELARUS	11/06/92					
17. BELGIUM	04/06/92					

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18. BELIZE	13/06/92					
19. BENIN	13/06/92		X			
20. BHUTAN	11/06/92					
21. BOLIVIA	10/06/92					
22. BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA						
23. BOTSWANA	12/06/92					
24. BRAZIL	04/06/92		X	X		
25. BRUNEI DARUSSALAM						
26. BULGARIA	05/06/92					
27. BURKINA FASO	12/06/92					
28. BURUNDI	11/06/92					
29. CAMBODIA						
30. CAMEROON	14/06/92					
31. CANADA	12/06/92	04/12/92 (R)				
32. CAPE VERTE	12/06/92					
33. CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	13/06/92					
34. CHAD	12/06/92					
35. CHILE	13/06/92					
36. CHINA	11/06/92	05/01/93 (R)				

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37. COLOMBIA	13/06/92		X			
38. COMOROS	11/06/92					
39. CONGO	12/06/92					
40. COOK ISLANDS	12/06/92	20/04/93 (R)				
41. COSTA RICA	13/06/92		X			
42. COTE D'IVOIRE	10/06/92					
43. CROATIA	11/06/92					
44. CUBA	13/06/92					
45. CYPRUS	12/06/92		X			
46. CZECH REPUBLIC	18/06/93					
47. DEM. PEOPLE'S REP. OF KOREA	11/06/92					
48. DENMARK	09/06/92					
49. DJIBOUTI	12/06/92					
50. DOMINICA		21/06/93 (Ac)				
51. DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	12/06/92					
52. ECUADOR	09/06/92	23/02/93 (R)				
53. EGYPT	09/06/92					
54. EL SALVADOR	13/06/92					
55. EQUATORIAL GUINEA						
56. ERITREA						

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57. ESTONIA	12/06/92					
58. ETHIOPIA	10/06/92					
59. FIJI (**)	09/10/92	25/02/93 (R)				
60. FINLAND	04/06/92		X			
61. FRANCE	13/06/92					
62. GABON	12/06/92					
63. GAMBIA	12/06/92					
64. GEORGIA						
65. GERMANY	12/06/92					
66. GHANA	12/06/92					
67. GREECE	12/06/92					
68. GRENADA	03/12/92					
69. GUATEMALA	13/06/92					
70. GUINEA	12/06/92	07/05/93 (R)				
71. GUINEA-BISSAU	12/06/92					
72. GUYANA	13/06/92					
73. HAITI	13/06/92					
74. HOLY SEE						
75. HONDURAS	13/06/92					

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76. HUNGARY	13/06/92		X	X		
77. ICELAND	04/06/92	16/06/93 (R)				
78. INDIA	10/06/92					
79. INDONESIA	05/06/92					
80. IRAN (ISLAMIC REP. OF)	14/06/92					
81. IRAQ						
82. IRELAND	13/06/92		X			
83. ISRAEL	04/06/92					
84. ITALY	05/06/92					
85. JAMAICA	12/06/92					
86. JAPAN	13/06/92	28/05/93 (At)				
87. JORDAN	11/06/92					
88. KAZAKHSTAN	08/06/92					
89. KENYA	12/06/92					
90. KIRIBATI (**)	13/06/92					
91. KUWAIT						
92. KYRGYZSTAN						
93. LAO PEOPLE'S DEM. REPUBLIC						
94. LATVIA	11/06/92					

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95. LEBANON	12/06/92					
96. LESOTHO	11/06/92					
97. LIBERIA	12/06/92					
98. LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA	29/06/92					
99. LIECHTENSTEIN	04/06/92		X			
100. LITHUANIA	11/06/92					
101. LUXEMBOURG	09/06/92		X			
102. MADAGASCAR	10/06/92					
103. MALAWI	10/06/92					
104. MALAYSIA	09/06/93					
105. MALDIVES	12/06/92	09/11/92 (R)				
106. MALI	22/09/92					
107. MALTA	12/06/92					
108. MARSHALL ISLANDS	12/06/92	08/10/92 (R)				
109. MAURITANIA	12/06/92					
110. MAURITIUS	10/06/92	04/09/92 (R)				
111. MEXICO	13/06/92	11/03/93 (R)				
112. MICRONESIA	12/06/92					

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113. MONACO (**)	11/06/92	24/11/92(R)				
114. MONGOLIA	12/06/92					
115. MOROCCO	13/06/92					
116. MOZAMBIQUE	12/06/92					
117. MYANMAR	11/06/92					
118. NAMIBIA	12/06/92		X	X		
119. NAURU (**)	08/06/92					
120. NEPAL	12/06/92					
121. NETHERLANDS	04/06/92					
122. NEW ZEALAND	04/06/92		X			
123. NICARAGUA	13/06/92					
124. NIGER	11/06/92					
125. NIGERIA	13/06/92					
126. NORWAY	04/06/92	09/07/93 (R)				
127. OMAN	11/06/92					
128. PAKISTAN	13/06/92					
129. PANAMA	18/03/93					
130. PAPUA NEW GUINEA (**)	13/06/92	16/03/93(R)				
131. PARAGUAY	12/06/92		X			

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132. PERU	12/06/92	07/06/93(R)				
133. PHILIPPINES	12/06/92		X	X		
134. POLAND	05/06/92		X			
135. PORTUGAL	13/06/92					
136. QATAR						
137. REPUBLIC OF KOREA	13/06/92					
138. REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA	12/06/92					
139. ROMANIA	05/06/92					
140. RUSSIAN FEDERATION	13/06/92					
141. RWANDA	10/06/92					
142. SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS	12/06/92	07/01/93 (R)				
143. SAINT LUCIA	14/06/93	14/06/93 (R)				
144. ST.VINCENT AND THE GRENAD.						
145. SAMOA	12/06/92					
146. SAN MARINO	10/06/92					
147. SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE	12/06/92					
148. SAUDI ARABIA						
149. SENEGAL	13/06/92					
150. SEYCHELLES	10/06/92	22/09/92 (R)				

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151. SIERRA LEONE	11/02/93					
152. SINGAPORE	13/06/92					
153. SLOVAKIA	19/05/93					
154. SLOVENIA	13/06/92					
155. SOLOMON ISLANDS	13/06/92					
156. SOMALIA						
157. SOUTH AFRICA	15/06/93					
158. SPAIN	13/06/92					
159. SRI LANKA	10/06/92		X			
160. SUDAN	09/06/92					
161. SURINAME	13/06/92					
162. SWAZILAND	12/06/92					
163. SWEDEN	08/06/92	23/06/93 (R)				
164. SWITZERLAND	12/06/92		X	X		
165. SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC						
166. TAJIKISTAN						
167. THAILAND	12/06/92		X			
168. THE F.Y. REP. OF MACEDONIA						
169. TOGO	12/06/92					

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170. TONGA						
171. TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	11/06/92		X	X		
172. TUNISIA	13/06/92	15/07/93 (R)				
173. TURKEY						
174. TURKMENISTAN						
175. TUVALU (**)	08/06/92					
176. UGANDA	13/06/92					
177. UKRAINE	11/06/92					
178. UNITED ARAB EMIRATES						
179. UNITED KINGDOM	12/06/92		X	X		
180. UNITED REP. OF TANZANIA	12/06/92					
181. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	12/06/92	15/10/92 (R)				
182. URUGUAY	04/06/92		X	X		
183. UZBEKISTAN		20/06/93 (Ac)				
184. VANUATU	09/06/92	25/03/93 (R)				
185. VENEZUELA	12/06/92					
186. VIET NAM	11/06/92					
187. YEMEN	12/06/92					

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188. YUGOSLAVIA	08/06/92		X	X		
189. ZAIRE	11/06/92					
190. ZAMBIA	11/06/92	28/05/93 (R)				
191. ZIMBABWE	12/06/92	03/11/92 (R)				
****** ORGANIZATION ******	********	**********				
EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY(**)	13/06/92					
********** TOTAL **********	166	31	24	10		

RATIFICATION = (R)
ACCEPTANCE = (At)
APPROVAL = (Ap)
ACCESSION = (Ac)

(**) DECLARATIONS

NAURU: Upon signature the following formal declaration was made:

"The Government of Nauru declares its understanding that signature of the Convention shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change, and that no provisions in the Convention can be interpreted as derogating from the principles of general international law."

TUVALU: Upon signature the following formal declaration was made:

"The Government of Tuvalu declares its understanding that signature of the Convention shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change, and that no provisions in the Convention can be interpreted as derogating from the principles of general international law."

KIRIBATI: Upon signature the following formal declaration was made:

"The Government of the Republic of Kiribati declares its understanding that signature and/or ratification of the Convention shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change, and that no provisions in the Convention can be interpreted as derogating from the principles of general international law."

E.E.C.: Upon signature the following formal declaration was made:

"The European Community and its Member States declare, for the purposes of clarity, that the inclusion of the European Community as well as its Member States in the lists in the Annexes to the Convention is without prejudice to the division of competence and responsibilities between the Community and its Member States, which is to be declared in accordance with Article 21.3 of the Convention."

FIJI: Upon signature the following formal declaration was made:

"The Government of Fiji declares its understanding that signature of the Convention shall, in no way, constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change, and that no provisions in the Convention can be interpreted as derogating from the principles of general international law."

MONACO: The instrument of ratification contains the following declaration:

"In accordance with sub-paragraph g of article 4.2 of the Convention, the Principality of Monaco declares that it intends to be bound by the provision of sub-paragraphs a and b of said article."

PAPUA NEW GUINEA: The instrument of ratification was accompanied by the following declaration:

"The Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea declares its understanding that ratification of the Convention shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change as derogating from the principles of general international law."